

Town of Branchville
Special Council Meeting
March 7, 2016

The special Council meeting for Town of Branchville was held on March 7, 2016 at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall. A notice was placed on the door of the Town Hall with the time, date, and place of the meeting at least 24 hours before the meeting. The Times and Democrat newspaper was notified of the meeting which ran in 3/4/16 paper.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor H. Franklin Dickson. Mayor, Council, along with all those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by prayer.

Council Member Roll called by Clerk Amy Metts indicating that all members of council were present except for Councilwoman Bryant.

Guests were welcomed by Mayor H. Franklin Dickson.

Old Business:

Police Car:

Quote for 2015 Charger V8 Police package from Butler Dealership in Beaufort, SC for \$24139.

Quote was received for police car Kelley Communications for unmarked police car \$3630.14 and marked police for \$4297.17.

Chief Clark's car's motor is running hot and air conditioner is not working well, but is reliable.

Insurance check has not been received from the totaled 2011 Crown Vic.

Councilman Blankenship inquired about putting down a deposit for the new police car.

Councilman Jennings worked up some financials if council decides to use Farmers & Marchant Bank to finance the new police car.

We are not making a police car payment currently, but we are banking the same amount just in case a new car is needed.

Recommendation for a motion to table the police car decision until further notice by Councilman Whisenhunt. Councilman Jennings seconded the motion. Opposed by Councilman Blankenship.

Executive Session:

Council went into executive session @ 6:15pm. Executive Session for personal matter. Motion by Councilman Dukes. Seconded Michael Blankenship. Motion carried.

Council returned from executive session @ 6:55pm. Councilman Whisenhunt made the motion to return to the special meeting. Councilman Dukes seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mayor Dickson said that while council was in executive session they discussed a personnel matter and no decision has been made. Public will be notified when decision has been made.

Public Comments-Agenda Items: none at present time

Public Comments-Other Items: Chief Clark mentioned that Police Department is running on 1 & ½ police cars at the present time. His car has very high mileage. There is no car to fall back on if either police car goes down.

Items for Information: Mayor Dickson mentioned that there is a Regular council meeting 3/14/16 at 6pm.

Adjournment: Councilman Whisenhunt made the motion to adjourn. Councilman Jennings seconded the motion. The motion carried. The special Council Meeting adjourned at 7:14pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Metts", written in a cursive style.

Amy Metts

Clerk of Court in the absence of Jenny Elliott, Town Clerk/Treasurer